

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2364 – SB 2226

February 6, 2012

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (011830, 012031): Creates a statewide admission review committee to review voluntary admissions through the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD) and grants admission and review authority to the director of a developmental center or an appointed designee of a center. DIDD may adopt rules to implement the statewide admission review committee. Replaces “developmental disability” with “intellectual and developmental disability” throughout Tenn. Code Ann., Title 33, Chapter 5, Part 3. Amendment 011830 corrects a typographical error in the effective date section of the proposed bill. Amendment 012031 makes technical corrections to the format of the proposed bill.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendments:


- According to DIDD, each developmental center has its own admissions committee. The proposed bill creates one committee to review and discharge individuals who no longer meet the standards under which they were admitted.
- According to DIDD, the Department is in the process of creating rules for the implementation and membership of the committee. Currently, the proposed committee will meet in Nashville and will use video conferencing when possible. Also, the majority of the 12-member committee will be from the Nashville area and there will be no overnight travel.
- Any costs incurred by the statewide admissions review committee, including travel costs, will not be significant and can be accommodated within existing resources.
- Replacing “developmental disability” with “intellectual and developmental disability” will not change any of the services provided by DIDD.
- Changing the effective date of the bill to “upon becoming law” from “upon passage” will not change the estimated fiscal impact of the bill’s provisions.

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- Changing the alignment and format of Sections 3 and 7 of the proposed bill is not altering the actual language and will not change the estimated fiscal impact of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" and last name "Geise" clearly distinguishable, and "D." in the middle.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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